Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

Date: September 25, 2006

TO: Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Scott Dunakey

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RE: Recommend the proposed Draft Transportation Enhancement Policy to

the Policy Body.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Transportation Enhancement (TE) program is aimed at transportation systems beyond the traditional highways. Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) administers this program in the state of Kansas. TE funds could be used for a wide range of transportation related projects, which include but are not limited to bicycle and pedestrian trails, historic preservation, landscaping and scenic beautification, and establishment of transportation museums.

The WAMPO TE Policy document will provide background information on the TE program. It will also outline the WAMPO recommended TE application process starting with the call for projects by KDOT. This process identifies the time frame required for project sponsors to obtain a letter of consistency for their project from WAMPO. The public comment and review period for the proposed Draft TE Policy is from October 3 to October 16, 2006. The Public Hearing for the proposed Draft TE Policy is on October 19, 2006.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

1. Recommend the proposed Draft TE Policy to the WAMPO Policy Body.

Attachment(s):

1. Draft Transportation Enhancement Policy.